

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FISH AND GAME

Call to Order: Chair Jennifer Fielder, on January 31, 2017 at 3:00 PM, in Room 422
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Jennifer Fielder, Chair (R)
Sen. Jedediah Hinkle, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Jill Cohenour (D)
Sen. Tom Facey (D)
Sen. Steve Hinebaugh (R)
Sen. David Howard (R)
Sen. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D)
Sen. Cary Smith (R)
Sen. Chas Vincent (R)
Sen. Jeffrey W. Welborn (R)

Members Excused:

Sen. Mike Phillips (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Pat Christian, Committee Secretary
Joe Kolman, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 111, 1/23/2017

Executive Action:

SB 119: Do Pass

HB 150: Be Concurred In

HEARING ON SB 111

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:50 Sen. Keith Regier (R), SD 3, opened the hearing on SB 111, Provide that it is unlawful to feed wild turkeys.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:04:30 Ken McDonald, Wildlife Division administrator, Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks (FWP)

00:05:48 Collin Smith, National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTF)

[EXHIBIT\(fis22a01\)](#)

00:11:21 John Bradley, Montana Wildlife Federation

00:12:10 Brian Barnes, citizen

[EXHIBIT\(fis22a02\)](#)

00:14:21 Amy Seaman, Montana Audubon

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:15:49 Sen. Vincent

00:16:25 Jason Tarwater, regional director, National Wild Turkey Federation

00:16:50 Sen. Vincent

00:17:19 Mr. McDonald, FWP

00:17:44 Sen. Vincent

00:17:56 Mr. McDonald

00:18:28 Sen. Welborn

00:19:00 Mr. McDonald

00:19:11 Sen. Welborn

00:19:31 Mr. McDonald

00:19:52 Sen. Hinkle

00:20:18 Mr. McDonald

00:20:44 Sen. Hinkle

00:21:00 Mr. McDonald

00:21:13 Sen. Hinkle

00:21:37 Mr. Smith, NWTF

00:22:23 Sen. Hinkle

00:22:46 Mr. McDonald

00:23:24 Sen. Hinkle

00:23:44 Mr. McDonald

00:24:12 Chair Fielder

00:24:56 Mr. McDonald

00:25:15 Chair Fielder

00:25:20 Mr. McDonald
 00:25:25 Chair Fielder
 00:25:52 Mr. McDonald
 00:26:22 Chair Fielder
 00:26:55 Mr. McDonald
 00:27:28 Chair Fielder
 00:27:38 Mr. McDonald
 00:28:09 Chair Fielder
 00:28:40 Sen. Regier
 00:29:41 Chair Fielder

 00:29 52 Sen. Cohenour entered the meeting.

 00:30:51 Sen. Regier
 00:31:15 Sen. Vincent
 00:32:23 Mr. McDonald
 00:33:00 Sen. Vincent
 00:34:15 Mr. McDonald
 00:35:20 Sen. Smith
 00:35:47 Mr. McDonald
 00:36:15 Sen. Smith
 00:36:33 Sen. Facey

Closing by Sponsor:

00:37:20 Sen. Regier

Committee Business:

00:38:16 Chair Fielder
 00:39:20 Joe Kolman, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
[EXHIBIT\(fis22a03\)](#)

00:40:06 Sen. Cohenour
 00:40:36 Chair Fielder
 00:41:39 Sen. Vincent
 00:41:57 Chair Fielder

00:42:09 **Motion:** Sen. Hinkle moved to **RECOMMEND LC2600 AS A COMMITTEE BILL.**

Discussion:

00:42:23 Sen. Facey
 00:42:35 Chair Fielder
 00:42:54 Sen. Cohenour
 00:43:56 Chair Fielder
 00:44:55 Mr. Kolman, LSD

00:45:44 **Vote:** Motion failed 8-2 by roll call vote with Sen. Howard and Sen. Vincent voting no. Sen. Philips was excused. (Motion must carry by 2/3 vote.)

00:46:25 Chair Fielder
00:46:38 Sen. Cohenour

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 119

00:47:28 **Motion:** Sen. Hinkle moved that **SB 119 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:47:40 Sen. Hinkle
00:49:56 Sen. Cohenour
00:51:45 Sen. Facey
00:52:12 Sen. Hinkle
00:53:41 Sen. Facey

00:54:32 **Vote:** Motion carried 10-0 by voice vote. Sen. Phillips was excused.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 150

00:55:00 Chair Fielder

00:55:17 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Vincent moved that **HB 150 BE CONCURRED IN.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Phillips was excused. Sen. McClafferty will carry the bill.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:57 PM

Pat Christian, Secretary

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Additional Document

Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([fis22aad.pdf](#))